SENATE RESOLUTION No. ____ DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION A SENATE RESOLUTION to recognize and honor Richard Edwards for his honorable service of twenty-two years as Director of the Richmond Dunn Mental Health Center and to congratulate him on his retirement. PAUL ________, read first time and referred to Committee on



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SENATE RESOLUTION

MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

A SENATE RESOLUTION to recognize and honor Richard Edwards for his honorable service of twenty-two years as Director of the Richmond Dunn Mental Health Center and to congratulate him on his retirement.

Whereas, Richard Edwards began his career with the Dunn Mental Health Center in 1980 where he first served as the Director of Outpatient Services;

Whereas, Mr. Edwards expressed his dedication and support for the Dunn Mental Health Center and its mission by first serving as Deputy Director, then Interim Director, and finally becoming the Director of the Center in 1982;

Whereas, at the beginning of his tenure as Director, the Center staffed 300 employees: However, under the direction of Richard Edwards, the Center has continued to grow to meet the community's demand for its services, currently employing 800 people;

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Whereas, over the years Mr. Edwards has seen the Center's budget grow from \$2.5 million to \$25 million;

Whereas, the Dunn Mental Health Center, under the direction of Mr. Edwards, now serves five counties including: Wayne, Union, Fayette, Rush and Randoloph. The Center has also established programs well outside of its designated region; and

Whereas, on March 21, 2004, Richard Edwards is scheduled to retire from the Dunn Mental Health Center, ending his 22 years of directing and guiding the Center, its employees, its vision, and mission: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate recognizes and honors Richard Edwards for his twenty-two years of serving as Director of the Dunn Mental Health Center and congratulates him on his retirement.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Richard Edwards and the Dunn Mental Health Center.

